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TIME AND TEMPERATURE IS BACK...thanks to The Peoples Bank. This past weekend you could drive by the main offices of the Peoples Bank in Elba and find out the time and how "HOT" it was in December. However at this writing, the temperature was beginning to fall.

COMMISSION SEEKING REGIONAL LANDFILL PERMIT

Citizens Committee votes to retain lawyers

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

In Monday evening's meeting of Concerned Citizens of Coffee County, the group voted to retain a Montgomery attorney, John Scott, who specializes in environmental law.

At the beginning of the meeting, the group heard reports from Rev. Ben McKee and Rev. Danny Maddox on meetings they had with county commissioners.

Rev. McKee met with Commissioner Bill Faulk and Rev. Maddox met with Commissioner Jim Dubose. According to Rev. McKee, the meeting was a pleasant one but was not very productive. Bottom line was that the commission still wanted to obtain a permit for a regional landfill to be constructed on the land located on Hwy. 125 eight miles northeast of Elba.

A reporter who was present at the meeting told the group that under sub-title D regulations, only regional landfills will be permitted.

It was the reporter's understanding that this was being done to cut down on the number of landfills. It was reported that Faulk stated

that the commission was in the process of negotiating a contract with WasteAway to dispose of the county's solid waste.

Rev. McKee said Faulk indicated that the county could get a better deal from the firm if the county had a permit to construct a regional landfill.

Paul Young, an attorney from Enterprise, was introduced to the group by Rev. McKee.

Young's opening remarks to the group were: "You have an uphill battle. Anyone you take on somebody like the county commission, you always have an uphill battle. But, that don't mean you won't prevail."

"I'm not an environmental lawyer," said Young. "That's a very specialized area of the law, but I've talked to some good ones today."

Young recommended Attorney John Scott of Montgomery to the group. His retainer fee is \$2,500.00. Rev. McKee reported that the group had between \$1,100.00 and \$1,300.00 pledged toward attorney fees. An hourly charge by the attorney was not discussed.

"I'm so glad to be a member of a community and a county where we got folks with enough gumption to stand up and say something," said

Young, "and you're not alone."

Rev. McKee reported to the group that the county had spent close to \$385,000 in engineering, topographical surveying, sub-surface surveying and legal public hearing.

According to County Administrator Wilson Mobley approximately \$250,000.00 has been spent thus far on the landfill. This includes the purchase price of the land, \$151,905.00. He also said that geological and archeological surveys of the land in question are on file in the county engineer's office.

Young stated that numerous other public hearings would be held before a landfill is constructed on the proposed site.

The group voted to hire Attorney Scott and to also hire Young to act as a coordinator between the group and Scott.

The question of why WasteAway would offer the commission \$125,000 to enter into a contract with them was asked.

Young responded, "To make \$250,000."

The group expressed their concern as to why this would be done and wondered who would pay the bill. General consensus of those present was that county residents would!

Reportedly, the contract price being offered to the county by WasteAway is \$21.80 per ton.

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EGH disposes of extra waste

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

Elba General Hospital recently joined over 40 hospitals across the state in a program designed to help Alabama Department of Environmental Management get rid of improperly-disposed waste.

"Although it is rare, there are times when medical waste is accidentally contained with other waste and may get sent to a landfill or fall off a disposal truck," said Ellen Peterson, EGH administrator. "In 99 percent of the cases, this will not be our waste, but we are happy to assist ADEM in disposing of it in order to keep our community's environment safe and clean."

Lindsey Mothershead, Chief of ADEM's Special Waste Division, said that last year there were only six known incidents of improperly-

disposed waste in the state, and none of these were attributed to hospitals. According to Peterson all hospitals in Alabama are required to specially bag medical waste, separately from other hospital waste. It must then be transferred to an appropriate waste disposal facility or be disposed of onsite, by state-approved method of disposal.

"There are numerous guidelines for medical waste disposal, overseen by both federal and state governments," added Peterson. "These include restrictions for the burning of medical waste and the control of emissions (smoke). All of these are strictly followed by our hospital and ensure a safe environment for our community. We're happy to be able to provide a safe place for the Department of Environmental Management's new disposal program."

CITY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE TO BE ESTABLISHED

Shiloh residents seeking cable TV service

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

The majority of New Brockton's city council meeting Monday evening centered around the discussion of cable TV and beautification.

Mix Andrews of Route 4, Elba (Shiloh Community) requested the council's assistance in getting cable television service made available to the residents of the community.

Mr. Andrews told council members that a petition for service from Shiloh residents was presented to JoAnn Bowden in January of 1989. Ms. Bowden is manager of Century Cable TV of Enterprise.

According to Andrews, the company, Century Cable, ran a survey to determine the potential number of customers for the service just prior to the Elba flood in 1990. He said no response had been received from the company since the survey.

The council members were asked by Mr. Andrews for any assistance they might be able to render in this matter.

"It's not so much embarrassing as it is ridiculous when you go to your friends' or neighbors' or children's home where they sit up there and spend the dial, pick up channels and everything anytime during the day or night," said Andrews. "We go home and pick up 2 or 3 channels."

Mr. Andrews stated that it was just hard to understand why it (the running of cable to these residents) could not be done.

Ms. Bowden, who was in attendance at the council meeting, confirmed the survey had been conducted by Century Cable in the Shiloh

Community. She said, "The Shiloh Community is totally out of our reach. It is 3.5 miles from the end of our trunk line."

Century's trunk line (main line), according to company officials, ends where the railroad use to cross U. S. Hwy. 84 in New Brockton.

"You're going about this in the right way," Bowden said, "you're just at the wrong place. You need to be talking to the city council of Elba."

Ms. Bowden stated that Shiloh was in Storer Cable's territory.

According to Bowden, the bottom line is: (1) it's not in our (Century's) territory and (2) it's not economically feasible for us to extend cable service to the Shiloh Community.

It was Ms. Bowden's opinion that if the residents of Shiloh get cable television, it will be Storer Cable

who will provide the service.

Mr. Andrews indicated that he would continue to seek help in this matter from the Public Service Commission and state government officials. He stated that he had been in contact with State Representative Jimmy Holley and Jan Cook, head of the PSC.

Councilman Bud Goodson said, "We would like to help everybody with anything they wanted that's reasonable and feasible, but this is something outside of our jurisdiction all together. If the cable people that supply us says they can't do it, there's not a thing we can do."

In another matter, Andrews ask for the council's support in getting GTE to provide call waiting, 1-900 block, and three-way calling services to the residents of New Brockton.

In asking the council's approval

for payment of the city's bills totaling \$19,652.46, Mayor Jim Driskell informed councilmen that payment for the roof repair to city hall and payment for road repair caused the bills to be higher than usual.

The repairing of the city hall roof cost \$5,550 and the Byrd Mill Road repair work totaled \$7,968. Funds received from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) will pay for the road repairs.

Mayor Driskell informed the members of the council that all departments had been cautioned to closely monitor their spending during the remainder of the fiscal year. He stated that the money situation don't look as good as it has - at this point - in the past 2 or 3 years.

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MCALILEY: "TO ME THAT'S CHRISTMAS"

Christmas Joy for some needy children

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

The sixth annual Christmas Party for Coffee County's needy children has been set for December 19, 1991, at the home of Circuit Judge Gary McAliley and his family.

Each year Coffee County Courts protect and provide for hundreds of children. At Christmas time, a group of caring people headed by Eva McGrath and Judge McAliley join forces in spreading a little "Christmas Joy" to as many of these children as possible.

Individuals and organizations are invited to share in this experience by making contributions to insure that one or more children is given a Christmas that he or she would not have otherwise.

According to Judge McAliley, last year was special because of the Elba flood. The group took on more children than usual, a total of 54 boys and girls, because of the devastation suffered by many of the county's families.

This year approximately 25 children are expected to attend the "big party" and meet Santa. With assistance from the Department of Human Resources, a list of the most needy children is prepared and the invitations are extended.

McGrath, who is Chief Probation Officer for Coffee County, said a lot of work goes into getting everything ready for the party, but it is worth the trouble to see the children's reaction when Santa calls their name and gives them their gifts.

"A couple of days before the party, we'll get together and wrap the gifts," said McGrath. "Sometimes it takes two nights to wrap them all,

but when a child opens a gift and it is what he really wanted, it makes you feel good that you were able to make them so happy."

Janet McAliley, the Judge's wife, plays a big part in this operation. She opens her home up to these children and the many who come to assist and share in the party experience.

"Everyone who would like to help bring a little joy to a child's life this Christmas is welcome to help,"

said Judge McAliley. "It's something that they will remember for the rest of their lives. To me that's Christmas."

Any organization, business or individual wishing to make a contribution may do so by contacting Eva McGrath at 393-2618 or Janet McAliley at 347-0484 after 5 p.m. Contributions can also be mailed to: The Children's Christmas Fund, P.O. Box 306, Enterprise, AL 36331.



HOME CARE WEEK '91...Home Care of Elba will be observing Home Care Week as proclaimed by Elba's Mayor Fred Moore. During the week of December 1 through December 7 the Mayor Moore urges all citizens to recognize the efforts of home care providers, and the families and friends of the elderly and disabled, who provide such important services in the home. Pictured above at the proclamation signing are: seated left - Shirley McWaters, LPN with HC; Mayor Moore; standing - (l) Dretta Allen, CNA and (r) Jennifer Messick, CNA.

Operation Santa needs toys

FORT RUCKER, AL... Operation Santa Clause is in need of certain types of toys for children ages 7 to 12 and infants. Also, tricycles, scooters and baby carriages are needed, according to Capt. Joan Pearl of the 46th Engineer Battalion.

Volunteers from the 46th Engineer Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade are repairing donated toys to make

this Christmas special for needy children in 18 local communities.

About 150 bicycles have been repaired, according to Pearl, but another 100 are needed. Also, only about 30 dolls have been repaired. Last year, Operation Santa Claus repaired about 600 dolls, added Pearl.

Pearl stated that another 1,000 toys in general are needed to meet this year's goal of providing toys for 6,000 Wiregrass Area children.

Monetary donations are also needed to buy the extra material needed to make those repairs. Anyone wishing to donate money can do so by making checks payable to Operation Santa Clause and sending them to the project officer in charge:

Maj. Alfred H. Fox, Headquarters Support Company, 46th Engineer Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade, Fort Rucker, AL 36362.

Donors can drop off old and repairable toys at selected points in the local Wiregrass communities. Drop off points are: Daleville Fire Station; Dothan Fire Station; Elba Police Department; Enterprise Department of Leisure Services on East Lee Street; Hartford Fire Station; Opp Jaycees Clubhouse at the corner of Highway 331 and 84 beside the Piggy-Wiggly parking lot; Ozark Fire Department; Slacksport City Hall; New Brockton City Hall; Newton Fire Department; Brundidge City Hall; Andalusia Chamber of Commerce;

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NEWS IN BRIEF...

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION OFFICES...have re-located to the Farm Center Office Complex in New Brockton. The new phone number is 894-8536 and their mailing address is Office Complex Box 2, New Brockton, 36351.

ELBA'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL & PARADE...is to be held Saturday, December 14, 1991. Call the Elba Chamber of Commerce at 897-3125 for more information.

CHRISTMAS PARADE ENTRY DEADLINE...is DECEMBER 7. The parade is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Dec. 14th. Anyone wishing to be in the parade should contact Lisa Johnson at 897-5549 in the evening or Gene Kennett at 897-3125 in the mornings.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Last Friday was the tenth anniversary of the drowning of movie star Natalie Wood. She supposedly fell into the Pacific Ocean from her husband's yacht while they were anchored off Catalina Island. She was one of our favorites - we still like to watch Natalie Wood movies (or maybe we just like to watch Natalie Wood!). The yacht "Splendor II" ain't so splendid to us.

Saturday is Pearl Harbor Day - Sunday, December 7, 1941. President Roosevelt was on so right on that Monday morning when he told congress and the nation "This is a day that will live in infamy." The nagging questions are still unanswered concerning just how much American intelligence knew about the planned attack.

Monday was one of our lucky days. We were drinking a cup of coffee with the "Raccoon Club" (mostly retired folks) when in walks someone with a fresh, hot pound cake sent to the group by Mrs. Eris Paul. We were all impatient and fussy by the time the cake plates (paper towels) were passed out... with everyone anxious for a sample of what they knew was going to be good. The treat was up to billing... Jean Paul can cook a good pound cake. If some of those folks forget to deliver their thanks in person, we can assure Mrs. Paul their intentions were good.

The college football season is over except for the holiday bowl games. We must tell you that a Baptist preacher friend told us about the problems at Auburn University. The Eric Kasey story reportedly has coaches so sensitive they refuse to even tape players' ankles! That is what the Baptist preacher said.

We continue to see the six numbers drawn in the weekly Florida Lotto and predict... winner or no winner. The mathematical probability combined with the natural human tendencies to select certain combinations is interesting. But no way did we expect nine winners in one drawing last month. We were correct last weekend in guessing there would be no winner. Next week however it is an all new ballgame. Good luck to any of you with tickets. Remember, we are your best friend... until the money runs out.

Then there is the story of the lottery winner in Council Bluffs, Iowa who wants his job back on the local fire department. He won \$4.1 million in 1985, his investments are going well but he misses his friends and his work. Now there is a lucky man. He has no money problems and has a job he doesn't want to be away from. He is a far cry from those we read about who say they hate every hour of their work day and dread the next day, etc.

We were asked Tuesday exactly what our position was on the proposed landfill north of Elba. We share the feeling of "Not in my backyard." However, we are thrilled that we are not in the commissioner's position of leaving it there or moving it to another citizens backyard. We do get upset when emotional issues such as this one generate such wild, unfounded stories and half truths from normally levelheaded people. It does little good to attempt correcting this misinformation because usually people already "know the facts" and don't want to be confused with the truth. This happened in our office recently when a woman quoting misinformation wouldn't listen to an attempt to correct her by saying, "I already know the facts." We even heard one of our subscribers misquoting from a letter-to-the-editor written by Commissioner Jim DuBoise. He wrote that he didn't want voting thresholds because "My being re-elected is not nearly as important to me as is doing what is right." That ain't how our friend was quoting him and it ain't fair. We will fight for anyone's right to have and voice an opinion - any opinion, but we balk at supporting lies, be they deliberate or spread innocently. Politicians sometimes don't tell it right... but then we see where elected officials don't have a monopoly on telling something to fit their emotions or needs.



RIDE THE ELEPHANTS at the Elba Christmas Festival on Saturday, December 14th. The pair of elephants and a companion camel will be traveling from Shirley, Arkansas for the annual festival on Court Square in Elba and will be giving rides throughout the day. Elba school children are participating in an Art/Essay contest and seven lucky winners will ride the elephants in the Christmas Parade at 5:00 p.m. The festival is sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce and the elephants visit is made possible by National Security Insurance Company.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
1st. LT. JURASEK
From
June, Marvin, & "Slack"

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OPEN HOUSE AND RIBBON CUTTING...Home Care Services of Elba officially opened their doors on Monday, November 18th. Although the affiliate of Flowers Hospital of Dothan has been providing home care services for area residents for several weeks now, the ribbon cutting ceremony "officially" opened the doors. Pictured above are several officials from Flowers Hospital and the City of Elba along with Miss and Little Miss Elba. Those taking part in the ceremony were: Front Row (l-r) Stephanie Sasser, Little Miss Elba; Sue Stone, secretary at HCS; Alissa Maud, RN Assistant Director of Clinical Service; Fred Moore, Mayor of Elba; Donna McPherson, director of Clinical Service; Susan Johnson, Miss Elba; Back Row (l-r) Bill Menke, Vice-President of Development; Jack E. Brunson, Chamber of Commerce President; Jennifer Messick, Certified Nursing Assistant; Shirley McWaters, LPN; Tammy Kelley, RN; Dretta Allen, CNA; Tencie Taylor, HCS Administrator; Andalusia; Frank Dougherty, Registered Physical Therapist; Mary Alice Knox, CNA.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department during the week beginning Tuesday, November 26, 1991, investigated the following incidents: two burglaries, one harassment, two thefts, one attempted burglary, one criminal mischief, and one DUI.

Arrests made during the same period of time were as follows: two for revoked driver's license, four for speeding, one for no driver's license, and one for DUI.

Daily activity for the week was as follows:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 - Rescue run to residence on Route 3, Elba (1:38 a.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - Grass fire near Danley's Crossroads (11:50 a.m.); Grass fire near Wise's Mill (1:52 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - Grass fire on Hwy. 87 (12:19 a.m.); Subject reported with a gun at Little Beaver Apartments (12:48 p.m.); Routine activity.

OBITUARY

PEARL SAWYER

Pearl Jones Sawyer, 93, of New Brockton died Saturday, November 30, 1991, at Enterprise Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 3, in the Patterson Funeral Home Chapel with the Reverend William Snodgrass and the Reverend William Snodgrass officiating. Burial followed in the New Brockton City Cemetery. Patterson Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include two daughters, Trelle Phillips of Montgomery and Hilma Andrews of Thomaston, GA; two sons, Will H. Sawyer of New Brockton and John Ed Sawyer of Montgomery; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Pre-need Funeral Planning now available at Hayes Funeral Home for details 897-2225

Bulletin Board

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LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Ranch House Restaurant.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. - Supp. Office.
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Hwy. 101.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. - Fire Station.
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon. 5:45 p.m. - City Hall (after City Council meeting).
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BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room.
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30-4:30. New Brockton. C.O. Orl. Campus.
COFFEE COUNTY COONHUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. - Club House.
COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise.
ELBA CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL - Saturday December 14, 1991.

This space made possible by: National Security Insurance Co. Elba, Alabama

We get letters

Dear Editor,

I have been monitoring the request for the name of Bypass Street to Martin Luther King (whatever). I can understand some of the reason's why they would not want the name changed. But there was an opponent to the move who said the street should be named for a Black who has made significant contributions to the Black population. Can you name one Black besides Martin Luther that has made more contributions. Martin Luther King was an American Civil Rights leader who worked to bring about social, political, and economic equality for Blacks by peaceful means. During the 1950's and 1960's King's eloquent pleas for racial justice won the support of millions of persons, Black and White. A Baptist minister he preached non-violent resistance. He won the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize for leading the Black struggle for equality through non-violent means. Those taking part in the ceremony were: Front Row (l-r) Stephanie Sasser, Little Miss Elba; Sue Stone, secretary at HCS; Alissa Maud, RN Assistant Director of Clinical Service; Fred Moore, Mayor of Elba; Donna McPherson, director of Clinical Service; Susan Johnson, Miss Elba; Back Row (l-r) Bill Menke, Vice-President of Development; Jack E. Brunson, Chamber of Commerce President; Jennifer Messick, Certified Nursing Assistant; Shirley McWaters, LPN; Tammy Kelley, RN; Dretta Allen, CNA; Tencie Taylor, HCS Administrator; Andalusia; Frank Dougherty, Registered Physical Therapist; Mary Alice Knox, CNA.

On several occasions, Coffee County's citizens have voiced strong opposition to a regional landfill being constructed. Unfortunately, their words appear to be falling on deaf ears. Instead of offering to resolve this issue according to the way the voters of this county want it resolved, the commission continues to push forward with efforts to receive a permit for a regional landfill.

Wait a minute! This is not the way a democracy is supposed to work! This is supposed to be government for the people by the people which means that elected officials represent the people who put them in office. Mr. DuBoise made the statement that he has "tried to represent ALL the citizens in District 1." I presume including those who support the regional landfill. I must ask Mr. DuBoise, where are those you represent who support this proposal? I find it interesting that Mr. DuBoise feels threatened by voters. If he, then he shouldn't have entered a public/political office that's dependent upon being elected by the citizens of this county. The one thing that he needs to remember (and may be the other members of the commission need to remember too) is that the citizens of this county have the final say when it comes to how they'll be governed, and that says come in the form of their votes at election time.

Mr. DuBoise made the statement that his "being re-elected is not nearly as important as is doing what is right." I hope he means what he says because "what is right" is to do what his constituents want him to do - stop asking for a permit for a regional landfill!!!!

Sincerely,
William R. Crook,
A Concerned Citizen of Coffee County

Thank you,
Jerry McMillan

I read with interest the letter Mr. Crook wrote.

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Elba Clipper encourages its readers to express their comments and views in the form of Letters to the Editor. Letters should not contain libelous material and should be in good taste. The editor reserves the right to edit all letters for style and grammar. Letters should be signed - NO UNSIGNED LETTERS WILL BE PUBLISHED! A phone number should accompany the letter for the purpose of confirming the author of the letter (Phone numbers will not be printed with letters). Address letters to: Letters to the Editor, The Elba Clipper, P.O. Drawer A, Elba, AL 36323.



LET THE CHRISTMAS SEASON BEGAIN...Monday afternoon Jimmy Foley (right) performed his annual task of turning on the Christmas lights in downtown Elba. Mayor Fred Moore looks on as Foley flips the switch.

LOOK!

This book was written by a Union Army Veteran, William H. Knauss, who was left for dead on the Fredericksburg battlefield during the war. The book contains information about the war dead in the Camp Chase and Johnson Island Prison War Camp Cemeteries. It is more of a memorial to those who died there. Although Mr. Knauss was a Yankee soldier, he spent his life, after the war, in preserving the memory of the Confederates who died in those prison camps in Ohio. His efforts were applauded all over the South. Camp Chase, on Sullivan Ave., Columbus Ohio, is not there anymore but about all to be seen is the Confederate Cemetery. Those who have missing ancestors might find these among the listing of Confederate dead in Camp Chase.

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COUNCIL

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Council member Rhonda Davis proposed to the council the establishment of a City Beautification Committee.

The committee, which will be made up of merchants and concerned citizens, would concentrate on projects which would beautify the town. One such project would be to coordinate the decorating of the town for various holidays.

Also, Davis stated that the committee could encourage owners of vacant lots to clean them up.

Another possible function of the committee would be to assist city officials during special occasions such as Governor Guy Hunt's visit several weeks ago.

She suggested a Spring Beautification Week during which an award ceremony would be held to the merchant and citizen who had done the most to improve their property's appearance.

Of course Mrs. Davis agreed that funds would be necessary for the committee to function properly. Ways in which to raise these funds would be one of the committee's responsibilities.

According to Davis, several individuals have already expressed a willingness to serve on such a committee. The council went on record to support the City Beautification Committee in any way that it could.

Other items of business addressed by the council were as follows:

***Approved a one-time raise of \$50 as a Christmas bonus for full-time city employees and \$25 for any part-time employees.

***Approved the continued employment of Tony Bloodworth with the street department on a temporary basis. Agreed to review the matter again after the first of the year.

A general discussion on the waste problem ensued prior to the conclusion of the group's meeting.

The group stated that anyone wishing to make a contribution toward funding their legal efforts can be made to Concerned Citizens. Rev. Danny Maddox, Rt. 3, Box 657, Elba, AL 36323 or James H. White, Rt. 1, Box 70, Elba, AL 36323.

In speaking of the nursing home's upcoming 25th anniversary, this facility began its public service on January 1, 1967, with a bed capacity of 40. In 1975, the nursing home enlarged its bed service to 47 with the addition of 7 beds. In early 1983, the bed capacity went to 71 with the addition of an east and west wing. In 1985, 8 additional beds were created within the existing structure. In the spring of 1991, the facility enlarged to its present capacity of 91 beds.

Mrs. Peterson states, "This is an opportunity to show our appreciation to the general public for the opportunity of service to the City of Elba and surrounding communities. On behalf of my staff, myself, and all nursing home residents, we cordially invite you to this event."

In conjunction with the Elba Christmas Festival, a Fashion Show will be held Saturday, December 14 on the Court House Square. We are asking local merchants who would like to have clothes modeled to contact Marsha Oggs at 897-6328 and any children's hand-sewn clothing to be modeled to contact Edna Brunson at 897-2667.



NATIONAL GUARDSMEN EARN ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS...Members of Battery B, 2nd Battalion 117th Field Artillery, Elba, AL, were awarded the Army Achievement Medal for their outstanding performance and dedication to duty during Annual Training 1991 at Ft. Stewart, GA, June 28, 1991. Pictured from left to right standing are - SPC Boyd English, SSG Henry Tidale, SSG Samuel Moss, Sgt. William Thigpen, kneeling Sgt. Charles Rogers, SPC Abraham Robinson, SGT Raynard McKinnon, and SPC Patrick Jones. Not pictured but receiving the medal are SGT Johnny Williamson, PFC Danny Folmar, SSG Brad Allen, SSG Lewis Phillips, SGT James Coleman, 2LT Brian G. Bell, SGT Edwin Kelley, and SPC Steven Bozeman.



AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK...observed by New Brockton Schools. Looking above as New Brockton's Mayor Jim Driskill signs the proclamation are: (l) Elba Burrows, president of the organization and (r) Barbara Cole, secretary of the Coffee County Education Association. Cole teaches at the New Brockton High School and Burrows is a teacher at the elementary school in New Brockton.

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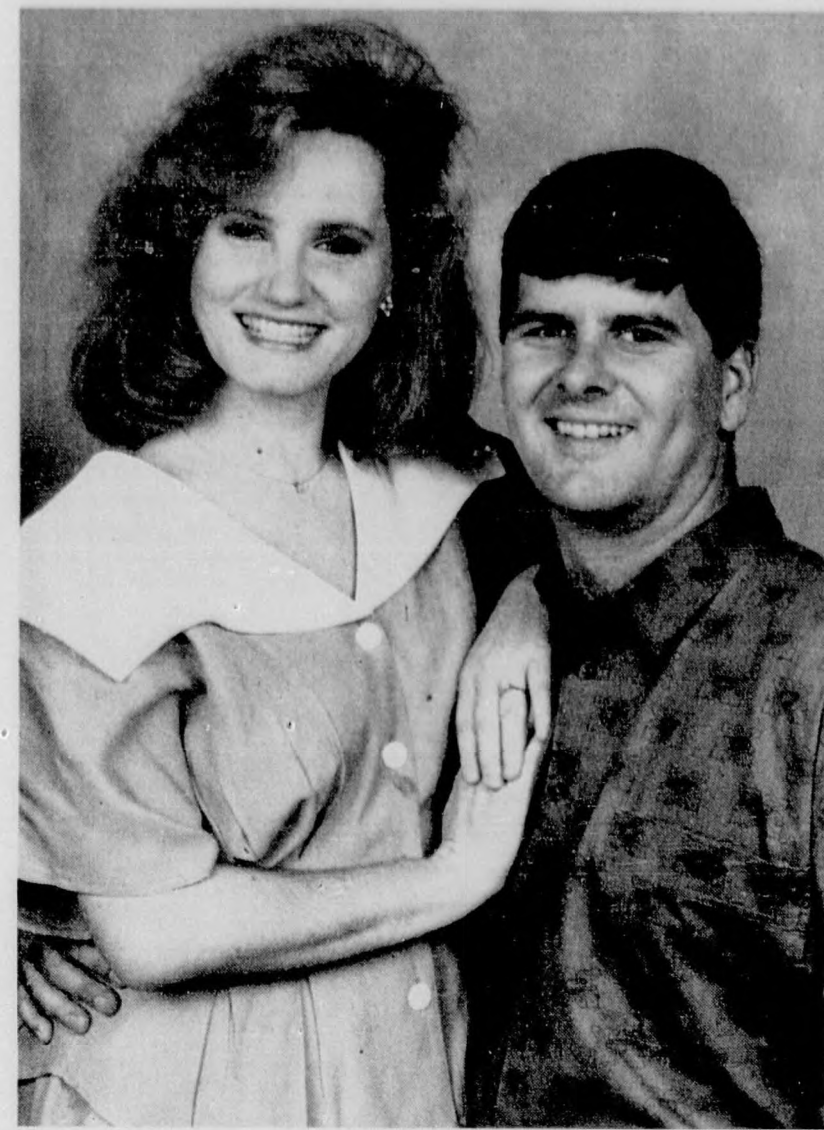
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Social Happenings

Reeves - Glynn Wedding Planned For February 8th



Kathy Sue Reeves & John William Glynn

Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Reeves, Sr., of Elba, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Kathy Sue, to Matthew John Glynn, son of Mrs. Carol Glynn and the late John William Glynn of Frankston, Victoria, Australia.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elvin R. Walker of Ozark, and Mrs. Odell B. Reeves and the late Mr. Grady M. Reeves of Elba. She is a 1984 graduate of John Paul College, Frankston, Victoria, Australia. He is presently employed as a Lieutenant in the Australian Regular Army and is stationed at Ft. Rucker Aviation Center as an OH-58 instructor.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, February 8, 1992, at 5:00 in the evening at Whitewater Baptist Church.

No local invitations are being sent but all friends and relatives are invited to attend.



Pictured L to R: Mrs. Jimmie Smith, Mrs. Faye Johnson, Miss Christy Smith, Mrs. Carol Smith, Mrs. Bonnie Johnson and Mrs. Edna Morrow.

Christy Smith Honored With Miscellaneous Bridal Shower

Miss Christy Smith, bride-elect of Mr. Jay Johnson, was honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower on Sunday afternoon, December 1, 1991 at the lovely home of Mrs. J. R. (Jimmie) Smith.

The front entry was decorated with a white satin bridal wreath, accented with a white satin bow and

cented with a white satin bow and flowing streamers with greenery. Mrs. Smith welcomed the guests and directed them to the registry, where Miss Christy Driggers presided.

Receiving the guests with Miss Christy Smith, the honoree, were her mother, Mrs. Carol Smith, Mrs. Faye Johnson, mother of the future groom; Mrs. Edna Morrow, maternal grandmother of the groom; Mrs. Bonnie Johnson, paternal grandmother of the groom.

A beautiful white lace cloth adorned the refreshment table, which held party dainties. Petits fours, cheese straws, rosebud minis, and mixed nuts all served from silver appointments. Mrs. Bertie Boland and Mrs. Janie Waddell served the mixed fruit punch from an elegant silver punch bowl, which was encircled with evergreen, magnolia leaves and

baby's breath, accented with liquid silver ornaments. To complete the setting, a silver candelabrum with white burning tapers was used.

Guests were directed to the gift rooms where many nice, useful gifts were displayed.

Hostesses for this occasion were: Mrs. J. R. (Jimmie) Smith, Mrs. Bertie Boland, Mrs. Janie Waddell, Mrs. Edna Morrow, Mrs. Hedy Cox, Mrs. Ann Davis, Mrs. Janice McCall, Mrs. Ruby Turner, Mrs. Betty Rhoades, Mrs. Becky Hayes, Mrs. Marie Lindsey, Mrs. Vonelle Fleming, Mrs. Gloria Roberts, Mrs. Elaine Thompson, Mrs. Betty Young, Mrs. Kathy Smith, Mrs. Sybil Henderson, Mrs. Lucy Bruckner, Mrs. Judy Marler, and Mrs. Linda Berry.

The guest of honor was presented a card table with four matching chairs from the hostesses.



JONATHAN TAYLOR FARMER

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Farmer announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Taylor, November 6, 1991, in Tuscaloosa.

He weighed 10 pounds, 2 ounces and measured 21 3/4 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shrieber of Troy and Mrs. Doris Farmer of Elba. Great-grandmothers are Lois Williamson of Troy and Odessa Brown of Elba.

Jonathan was welcomed home by his brother, J. J.

Little Miss Christmas Pageant To Be Held December 14th

In conjunction with the Elba Christmas Festival, the Elba Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the 1991 Little Miss Christmas Pageant on Saturday, December 14 at 3:00 p.m. on the Court House Square.

The pageant is open to girls K through 3rd grades in the Elba City Schools. Applications will be distributed on November 26 by homeroom teachers. In order to make preparations for the pageant, the entry form and a \$20.00 entry fee must be returned NO LATER than December 6th. For more information contact Lisa Johnson at 897-5549 or Gene Kennett at 897-3125.

Ashley Snellgrove Celebrates 2nd Birthday

Ashley Snellgrove turned 2 years old on November 14. She is the daughter of David and Renee (Dawson) Snellgrove. She celebrated with a party at her home in Troy.

Special people that helped her celebrate were her little brother, Corey, grandparents Brenda Nelson, Ron Dawson, Rhett and Karin Snellgrove, Aunt Noralyn, Uncle Brian, Uncle Scotty, and friends Amber, Josh, Emily, Elizabeth, Tiffany, Shane, Kayla, Tesha and their parents. She received lots of presents.

Lori Weeks Places In Pike County's Young Woman Of The Year Contest

Miss Lori Anne Weeks, 18-year-old daughter of L. G. and Laura Weeks of Troy (formerly of Elba), was selected second runner-up in Pike County's 1991-92 Young Woman of the Year Pageant.

The pageant, previously known as Junior Miss, was held at Troy State University's Smith Hall Auditorium Nov. 23. Miss Weeks, a senior at Goshen High School, was one of 15 participants from four high schools in this year's scholarship competition.

The young women were judged on scholastic achievement (20 percent), interviews with judges (30 percent), creative and performing arts (20 percent), poise and appearance (15 percent), and physical fitness (15 percent).

Miss Weeks has been nominated for Who's Who Among American High School Students for two consecutive years and currently maintains a 95 overall grade average in the advanced placement program. She is president of the Sr. Beta Club, Vice President of the Junior Engineering Technical Society, Spanish Club President, Co-Captain of the Varsity Cheerleaders, a board member of the Pike County YMCA, and active in numerous other organization and church activities.

A Miss Weeks has been accepted for admission at Auburn University at Montgomery where she plans to earn a bachelor's degree in nursing and eventually a master's degree in



Lori Weeks health care administration. Pike County's Young Woman of the Year Pageant was sponsored by the Troy Jaycees.

Coffee County Retired Teachers To Meet

Coffee County Retired Teachers' December meeting will be held at Grant's Restaurant at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 10.

Christmas music will be presented by Reverend Ronnie Carson.

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Home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Suttley - Chris and Wayne Suttley, with son Clay, moved into their beautiful colonial home in May of 1990. The home, decorated in a traditional style, is located on Forrest Lake Drive. A favorite feature with the Suttleys is the Sun Porch.

Christmas Tour Of Homes To Be Held December 15th

Four lovely homes will be featured in the third annual Christmas Tour of Homes sponsored by the New Season's Study Club in Elba.

The beautiful decorated homes of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Bane, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Farris, Mr. and Mrs. James Grimes, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Suttley will be open from 2 o'clock p.m. until 5 o'clock p.m. Sunday, December 15.

Tickets are \$4.00 and are available from any club member. Children under 12 are admitted free but must be accompanied by an adult. Proceeds will go to Elba area foster children.

For more information, please call Betsy Martin at 897-6045 or Gene Benbow at 897-2187.

Arts Alliance To Present "The Nutcracker" Dec. 5th

Opening the 18th season of the Coffee County Arts Alliance on December 5, will be "The Nutcracker" presented by the Ballet Mississippi. The professional dancers of Ballet Mississippi and fifty county children will combine talents to bring Peter I. Tchaikovsky's beloved Christmas fantasy to life onstage. Four Elba children, Anna Head, Ashlee Cowen, Conny Cooper and Chelsea Cooper were selected to participate in the cast. Anna Head and Ashlee Cowen are dance students of Dorothy Sellers in Opp. Conny and Chelsea Cooper are dance students of Jen-Deb Studies in Enterprise.

This program is made possible in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts through the Southern Arts Federation, of which CCA is a member.

Although individual tickets for performance may be purchased at the door, season tickets are still available.

For more information, you may contact Mrs. Walter Cox (Betty) or Mrs. Charles P. Hayes II (Becky), Elba citizens on the CCA Board of Directors.

Please join our Coffee County angels, fairies, mice, maids and cooks-along with Clara and her Nutcracker Prince-as they dance this timeless and beautiful ballet to help put in the Christmas spirit!

Calvary Baptist Church To Have Singing Saturday, November 30

A Memorial Benefit Sing will be held for the King's Kids at Calvary Baptist Church in Brantley, Friday, December 6th at 7:00 p.m.

The singing groups will be Jerry and Tammy Sullivan, the Martin Hicks Trio, the Brackin Trio, and others.

Everyone is welcome.

Christmas Bazaar To Be Held At Vivian B. Adams School

Everyone is invited to attend the 19th annual Christmas Bazaar to be held at Vivian B. Adams School in Ozark, Thursday and Friday, December 5th and 6th, from 8:00 to 3:00. Items that will be for sale include ceramics, baked goods, arts and crafts, raffles and much more!

All proceeds directly benefit the students and clients.

Everyone is invited and urged to attend. Prices reasonable.

Mrs. Magwood Honored With Shower

A wedding shower was held at the home of Clara Dosier, Saturday, November 16, 1991 for Mrs. Carol Magwood. The color scheme was light peach and antique beige. Lay-out and design was by Clara Dosier. Hostesses were Rosa Magwood, Retha Walker, Janie Kelley, Lorene Cole, Christine Bradley, and Mary Robinson.

Rev. and Mrs. Edgar To Be Honored On 50th Anniversary

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Edgar will be honored Sunday, December 8, with a reception celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple's children and grandchildren will host the reception at the Edgar's Elba home at 366 Donaldson Drive from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon.

The couple will be married 50 years on December 24th.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

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Ten Commandments For Christmas

As we enter into the Christmas season, let us keep our thoughts and our actions focused on the real meaning of Christmas. To help us do that, I have found some good advice in a magazine article entitled, "Ten Commandments For Christmas."

- I. Thou shalt not leave "Christ" out of Christmas, making it "Xmas." To some, "X" is an unknown reality.
- II. Thou shalt prepare thy soul for Christmas. Spend not so much on gifts that thy soul is forgotten.
- III. Thou shalt not let Santa Claus replace Christ, thus robbing the day of its spiritual reality.
- IV. Thou shalt not burden the shop girl, the mailman, and the merchant with complaints and demands.
- V. Thou shalt give thyself with thy gift. This will increase its value a hundredfold, and he who receiveth it shall treasure it forever.
- VI. Thou shalt not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive may signify love, and that is more precious than silver and gold.
- VII. Thou shalt not neglect the needy. Share thy blessings with the many who will go hungry and cold unless thou art generous.
- VIII. Thou shalt not neglect thy church. Its services highlight the true meaning of the season.
- IX. Thou shalt be as a little child. Not until thou hast become in spirit as a little one art thou ready to enter into the kingdom of Heaven.
- X. Thou shalt give the heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of thy Christmas list.

I believe anyone who keeps the Commandments will have a happy and enjoyable Christmas.



Clark Reunion Held Recently

Family and friends of Mrs. Louise Clark gathered at the home of Bill Walsh, Mrs. Jeanne Weaver, and Mrs. Charles Clark on October 26 for a family reunion and to celebrate Mrs. Clark's 83rd birthday.

Attending were: Celia, Jeanice and Sheila Allen, Glenwood, AL; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hahn and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Powell and son, Rhetta Ann Schmidt, Charlotte, NC; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Clark, Helena, AL; Nanci Bottoms, Enterprise, AL; and her son, Bo Rainwater, Enterprise, AL; and her daughter, Heather Debbie Brown and children, Geneva Perry, Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Ron Arsenault and son, Savannah, GA; Glen Moore, Nashville, TN; Mrs. Virginia Head, Dothan, AL; Mrs. Eric Crook and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bullard, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Walsh, Mrs. Jeanne Weaver, Marybeth Croniger, Justin and Katie, and Mr. and Mrs. John Smalley, and Jonathan, all of Birmingham, AL; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hahn, Mr. and Mrs. King, Elba; Paul Weaver, Macon, GA; Rhonda Ann Schmidt, Charlotte, NC; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Clark, Helena, AL; Nanci Bottoms, Enterprise, AL; and her son, Bo Rainwater, Enterprise, AL; and her daughter, Heather Debbie Brown and children, Geneva Perry, Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Ron Arsenault and son, Savannah, GA; Glen Moore, Nashville, TN; Mrs. Virginia Head, Dothan, AL; Mrs. Eric Crook and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bullard, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Walsh, Mrs. Jeanne Weaver, Marybeth Croniger, Justin and Katie, and Mr. and Mrs. John Smalley, and Jonathan, all of Birmingham, AL.

The scheduled program is a report on the ASFA Convention and the election of chapter officers.

Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN. THE ELBA MINISTRIES ASSOCIATION MEETS EACH WEEK AT 11:45 HOUR OF TRUTH - WELB 1350 AM - 12:00 PM - Sun. - Rev. James Rodgers Non-Denominational Monday thru Friday 12:45 - 1:20 PM - Bill Beck ALBANY BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. John W. McCranm Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Johnny Padalino Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:15 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST Wendell Baker Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:30 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH James G. Compton Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:30 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 12:00 p.m. DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH - Bobby Driver Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. Visitation Thursday nights 8:00 p.m. EANON BAPTIST CHURCH - Bernard Strickland Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. ELBA UNITED METHODIST W. T. Harris Co. Pastor W. K. L. L. L. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Pastor's Ad. 7:00 p.m. ELBA BAPTIST CHURCH - Bill Beck, Minister Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD - Nelson Kimberly Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY - J. E. Wesley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Mom. Worship 11:00 a.m. Church Training 5:30 p.m. Even. 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Co-op Spotlight

by Christie Crook

Delisa Blair - Delisa is a 17 year old senior at Elba High School. She is the daughter of James and Barbara Blair. Delisa works in the afternoon at Bradshaw's Pest Control, for Rex Bradshaw. Her duties are posting tickets and typing. She says the people she works with and meeting new people are what she enjoys most about her job. Delisa has been in ICT for two years, which she joined to receive job experience.

Stacy Nunn - Stacy is the 17 year old daughter of Dwight Nunn and Dorothy Bechtold. She is a senior at Elba and this is her first year in ICT, which she joined to receive experience for her future. Stacy works in the afternoon at Elba Propane Gas Company, for Gibbs McCormick. Her job includes: typing, filing, answering the phone, and filling gas bottles. Stacy says the thing she enjoys most about her job is the people she works with.

Kim Lind - Kim is a 17 year old senior at EHS. She is the daughter of Tom and Junell Lind. Kim works in the afternoon for Dr. Timothy Jackson, D. M. D. Her duties include: assisting Dr. Jackson, answering the phone, making appointments, and other old jobs. Kim enjoys the people she works with and meeting new people. Kim has been in ICT for two years, in which she joined to receive job experience.

Lori Marsh - Lori is the 17 year old daughter of Stan and Deloris Marsh. She is a senior at Elba and she has been involved in ICT for two years, which she joined to receive job experience. Lori works in the afternoon at Dorsey Trailers for Peggy Stroud. Her job includes: filing, answering phones, working with others, and typing. Lori says she enjoys the people she works with.



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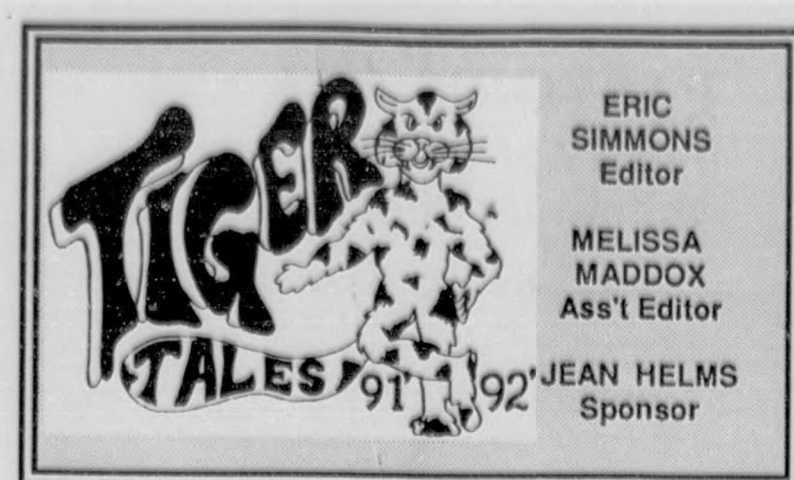
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FBLA Installs New Officers

by Kevin Dewberry, Reporter

The Elba Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), held its monthly meeting in the Elba High School Cafeteria on November 20, 1991. Heather Stinson, president, called the meeting to order. Malinda Tyson gave a very informative speech on each letter of FBLA. The secretary, Laura Hall, read the minutes of the last meeting and also explained about the correspondence that had been received since the last meeting. After the minutes were approved, Amy Baker, treasurer, gave her report. Her report indicated that membership dues for 197 members had been mailed to the state and national chapters. Her report was approved by the members. The next main order of business was the installation ceremony for the new club officers. The following people were installed as the 1991-92 FBLA officers: President, Heather Stinson; Secretary, Laura Hall; Treasurer, Amy Baker; Parliamentarian, Michael Waddell; Reporter, Kevin Dewberry; Alan Robinson, who is the vice president, was not present.

Following the installation ceremony, the new president, Heather Stinson, gave a very inspirational speech to her club members. Mrs. Ingrid Clark and Mr. David Stokes, sponsors, made several remarks about the FBLA activities that our chapter will be involved in this year; namely:

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Faculty Focus

by Art Williams

Mrs. Jeanne Vignola has been teaching in the Elba system for the past five years. She is originally from Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, but moved to Elba from Lake City, Florida. She was a member of the first graduating class from Columbia Senior High School. She attended Lake City Community College and studied criminal justice. At MacArthur State Technical College she studied cosmetology and at Tusculum University she received a degree in special education. She teaches math, English, basic skills, job skills, science and health, social studies and history. When asked if there was anything unusual about her first day, "Yes," she said, "I was so excited I looked my keys in my room, not once but twice! Don't ask me how, I've still not figured that one out!"

Mrs. Vignola says that she loves how the students at EHS show their individuality. Each student is unique and special. She said, "I am also extremely proud when one of our students is successful, as so many have been. It's great to visit former students come back to visit and tell me how much they have learned. Now that's and enjoyable experience."

Mrs. Vignola also works with the Drama Club as their sponsor. She said, "We've had two very successful plays and are looking forward to brighter times in the future."

It's good to see teachers such as Mrs. Vignola becoming involved in education. Thank you, Mrs. Vignola, and hopefully you will be with EHS for many years to come.



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Seniors Of The Week

by YuLanda Caldwell

Page Jones - Page is a 17 year old senior at Elba High School. She enjoys being with her friends. Her future plans are to attend college. Page's most memorable time at EHS will be graduation. Page says if she could change one thing about school it would be a longer, less strict lunch period. She is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, FBLA, Spanish Club, and Sr. Beta Club. Within the next ten years, Page sees herself as being a successful college graduate.

Donell Knox - Donell, a 17 year old senior, enjoys working on his car. His future plans are to attend an engineering college. Donell is a member of FBLA, Mu Alpha Theta, and Sr. Beta Club. Donell sees himself as having a good paying job, single, and happy within the next ten years.

Melissa Hawkins - Melissa is a 17 year old student at EHS. Her hobbies include playing softball, swimming, and talking. Melissa says her most memorable time at EHS is entering her senior year, and that if she could change one thing about school, it would be the rules. Within the next ten years she plans to be a registered nurse and possibly married.



Student Spotlight

by Dina Smith

Elena Strong - Elena is the 14 year old daughter of Kenneth and Sara Strong. Elena is a member of Jr. Beta Club, Chi Alpha Mu, SADD, FCA, FFA, FHLA, FBLA, Girl Scouts, and the Spanish Club.

Dee Dee - Dee Dee is the 15 year old daughter of Larry and Renetha Siler. She has been a cheerleader for three years. Dee Dee enjoys being a cheerleader because she likes cheering for the football and basketball teams.

Loretha Strong - Loretha is 17 years old and is a junior this year. She is actively involved in the band and has been in the band since the beginning of her sophomore year. Loretha's favorite song is "I Can't Wait Another Minute," by High Five. She is a member of the band and has been playing the flute for a year and a half.

Ashley Laney - Ashley is 12 years old and is in the seventh grade. She is the daughter of Clyde and Carol Laney. Ashley is in the band and has been playing the flute for a year and a half.

Maria Williams - Maria is the 15 year old daughter of Tom and Lucille Sexton. She is a member of the Marching Tiger Band and has been playing the trumpet for six years. Maria is a member of Sr. Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Spanish Club, FBLA, Drama Club, and the Band Council.

Speech Class Has Guest Speaker

by Marcus Tyson

Mrs. Killingsworth's speech class had an interesting guest speaker last week. Principal Charles Clark attended the class for two days. He shared his life story with the class. Mr. Clark explained to the class the hardships that he had to endure to become successful. He was awarded a junior college athletic scholarship, but attended military school at Marietta Institute. He stated that he used to be just as bad as some students are today, but during his years in college he learned to "straighten up and fly right." Mr. Clark taught the class a life lesson that day. The class appreciated the time he spent with them. The class learned a great deal from his story and his life.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

by YuLanda Caldwell

Announcing the 1991-92 James Edward Oglethorpe Scholarship Competition by Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, Georgia.

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Jr. Beta Club Meets

by Mary Margaret Jacobs, Reporter

The Jr. Beta Club held its third meeting Wednesday, November 20, 1991. President Elena Strong called the meeting to order. Roll was called by Kelli Tindol. Business consisted of discussions of community service hours, upcoming projects, and our Christmas party.

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Thursday - Pizza, Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Corn Nuggets, Cole Slaw, Choice of Fruit, Brownie-Bonns, Milk
Friday - Baked Chicken, Red Beans and Rice, Creamed Potatoes, June Peas, Choice of Fruit, Honey Glazed Bar-Bonns, Milk



Happy Birthday Mrs. Bryan



Fifth Grade Reading Class Activities

The fifth grade reading class, taught by Mrs. Elizabeth Dye, read a story called "The Match Man."

The story is about an old man who retired from his work as a watchmaker and becomes lonely because he has nothing to do to keep himself busy. He begins to build things from matchsticks. He builds windmills and bird cages and his masterpiece is a replica of the Brooklyn Bridge.

After reading the story Mrs. Dye asked the children if they would like to build something from matchsticks. She said the children were eager to do the project. They were told that they could build anything they wanted to and that they could get help from home if needed.

The members of the class are Ryan Balore, Lee Ann Ellis, Leticia Flournoy, Kori Foster, Chan Grantham, Amanda Lee, Robert Kidd, Chastity Weed, Margo Moody, Brenda Wilson, Stacy Jinnight, and Timothy McDurmond.

Robert Kidd said, "My project was a cross. It took at least 125 matches. I fitted all the matches in place and glued them. I had a friend help me named Wendy. I enjoyed it. My Mom bought six boxes of matches."

Amanda Lee said, "I made it out of matches and it was hard. I made my name. It was fun to make it. My sister helped me with my project. It took 40 matches. It took me 30 minutes. It was a lot of fun and I turned it in."

Chastity Weed said, "At first I was going to build a chair, but finally I decided to build a table. It was very difficult to build because the table was little. I took two hours to build. My parents helped me with it. Little by little it was getting bigger. Finally it was dried and finished."

Chan Grantham said, "It all started at my Grandpa's when I said I had to do a project on matchsticks. She said she had some matches in the closet. I got them then went home and started thinking of what to build. Finally I decided to build a Christmas scene. It started by building the house. I made it by outlining the sketch. I laid down match by match by match and didn't stop till I was finished with the house. Then I started on the U.S. mail box. I glued the pole then the box and the flag. When I was done with that I took a break. After my break I started on the Christmas tree which was very hard to build because we couldn't get it straight. Finally we got it together. When I worked on the star was easy because it only took a couple of matches. My final step was making the name. It took hard work and good hands. I glued it carefully. Finally I was done and my name said MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Now you want it to do your best and try to be a good influence upon others.

On Friday, November 22, 1991, Mrs. Rachel Bryan, yearbook sponsor, turned another year older. We won't tell her age but it is more than two scores. Members of the annual staff surprised her with a birthday party. Her cake and candles but not one for each year. Jeremy Law said, "If we had put a candle for each year there wouldn't have been enough room on top of the cake." Yearbook editors Donna Jacobs and Shae Oglesby were in charge of the party plans. Derek Snellgrove said, "We have been planning the since October 31." It was a surprise to Mrs. Bryan who knew nothing of the party.

So that the staff could get the party set up, Marsha Walden told Mrs. Bryan that Mrs. Anita Grant, yearbook co-sponsor, wanted to see her. Mrs. Bryan said, "When I got to Mrs. Grant's room I thought she had gone crazy. She asked me how to do something on the computer. Like I would know! She always has to answer my questions. Before I could answer the question that Mrs. Grant already knew the answer to, a student was standing behind me telling me that Mr. Whitworth wanted to see me." Mr. Whitworth was not waiting for Mrs. Bryan, the members of the annual staff were waiting with a birthday cake with the candles already lit. There was also a present waiting—a dozen red roses attached to eight balloons. One balloon was in the shape of a heart and read "I Love You."



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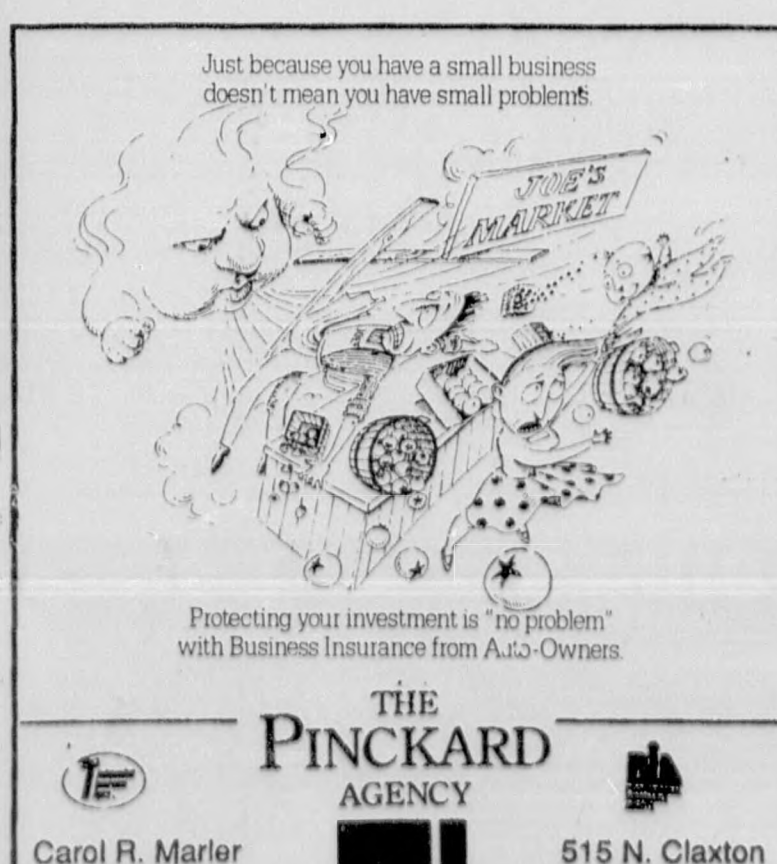
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Kim Pilcher Named Campus Beauty

The Nineteenth Annual Rebel Beauty Pageant, under the direction of Mrs. Anita Grant, was held to pick beauties for the features section of the yearbook. Mrs. Grant and the REBEL staff decorated and prepared for the pageant.

Mrs. Grant and the REBEL staff say thanks to Bradley's Florist and Gift, Elba Florist, The Jewel Box, and Maddox Signs and Engravings for donations of flowers, banners, trophies, and crowns that help make the pageant a success.

The first category was Little Miss Beauty who was picked from grades kindergarten through third. Ashley Thomaston was the second runner-up. She is six years old and is in the first grade. She is the daughter of Ricky and Beverly Thomaston. A six year old kindergarten student, Anna Miller, was the first runner-up. She is the daughter of Terry and Larry Miller. The new Little Miss Beauty was Mandi Collins, the daughter of Karen and David Collins. Mandi is seven years old and is in the second grade.

The Elementary Beauty division was for grades four through six. In this category, Tara Grant was the second runner-up. Tara, the daughter of Anita and Randy Grant, is in the fourth grade and is nine years old. The first runner-up was Amy Collins who is also a nine-year-old fourth grader. She is the daughter of Karen and David Collins and the sister of Mandi Collins, the new Little Miss Beauty. The winner in the Elementary Beauty category was Laura Brown, who is in the sixth grade and is eleven years old. She is the daughter of Kieff and Jane Lawton.

The new Junior Beauty was Adrienne Cotton who is in the eighth grade and is thirteen years old. She is the daughter of Paula and Ronnie Cotton. First runner-up was Sabrina Stokes who is also an eighth grader and is thirteen years old. She is the daughter of Pamela and William Stokes. The second runner-up was Amber Shiver. Amber is in the seventh grade and is twelve years old. She is the daughter of Barbara and Ronnie Shiver.

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News From

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Elba branch of the Mularz bunch made the eight-hour trip to Charlotte, North Carolina, last week for the Thanksgiving holidays to visit his brother's family, and despite the long ride, everybody had a good time. We left at 4 a.m. going and coming, so the kids would sleep, and not fight during the long ride, and it too worked out. The only hang up was that dear old Dad lost some valuable hours of sleep!

ELBA TIGERS UP RECORD TO 2-0 WITH EASY WIN

The Elba Tigers finally got to play their second game of the young season last Tuesday night when they hosted the Zion Chapel Rebels and it was worth the wait as the Tigers improved to 2-0 with an easy 69-50 win.

While the win over the Rebels was relatively easy, it wasn't really all that pretty as the Tigers appeared disorganized at times and made way too many turnovers and mental mistakes to please Coach Foster. The Tigers seemed able to score any time they wanted to against Zion Chapel and had several good runs, but could never maintain anything on either offense or defense and let the Rebels stay within striking distance for most of the game.

The Elba offense wasn't all that complicated as the guards tried to penetrate and dish the ball off to the inside people. It worked at times and resulted in easy baskets, while at other times the Tigers looked confused and didn't even get off a shot. The offensive style of this year's team is a drastic change from last year's run and gun style and it will take the players time to get used to making the right passes and cuts by instinct, and not having to think and think what to do next, which was the case several times last week. Elba has the players to score running the new style attack, it's just going to take some time.

Over on defense, the Tigers are still using an aggressive man-to-man attack, and in the win over the Rebels, the defense also had moments of brilliance and other moments of nothing even resembling a defense. Elba has as much quickness as any team around and can run the man-to-man, but Coach Foster has a few little wrinkles that should greatly improve the man-to-man as it was run in the past, and it too will simply take time to learn.

Elba's nowhere near as good as its 2-0 record might make some think and nowhere near as bad as its looked at times in both wins. I believe that the Tigers are going to win their share of games, but they are also going to lose their share and may have to really fight to post a winning record. The Tigers are going to get better and better, win or lose, and by late in the season they should be ready to show what kind of bunch they really are. We'll just have to be patient and support the Tigers through the good times, and the not so good!

IT MAY BE AN INTERESTING YEAR FOR COUNTY

The high school basketball season has just started, but from the early games it looks like it might be an interesting year for the teams in the county. Here's a preview of things to come.

NEW BROCKTON lost its entire team of a year ago, but it appears the Gamecock cupboard is far from empty and that the Gamecocks will once again be a team to watch. New Brockton will be young in spots, especially at guard, but has good size and may be strong inside. The Gamecocks won't be world beaters, but have a less than challenging schedule and could pile up the wins.

ZION CHAPEL opened last week against Elba after only two days practice and didn't really look all that bad, despite losing by 19 points. The Rebels will add depth soon when a couple of players complete physicals and also injured in football get well. Zion Chapel will have a hard time posting a winning record, but will have more than enough talent to knock off just about anybody on its schedule on any given night.

KINSTON experienced the joys of victory and the agony of defeat last week as they almost scored 100 in a win over Long, then gave up 102 in a loss to Brantley. The Bulldogs aren't going to run up many big scores during the year and are much better than the lopsided loss to Brantley would indicate. I guess the Bulldogs are somewhere in the middle, which means Kinston will have to battle every night out to post a winning record.

STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS ENTER SEMIFINALS

The state high school football playoffs are entering the semifinal round this week and there are some stories just waiting to be written in every class. Here's a quick look at what happened last week and what may lie ahead.

CLASS 6A - Montgomery's Robert E. Lee blanked Prattville last week and has to be a solid favorite to win the big school title. The Generals have been the best in the state since week #1 way back in September and the folks in Montgomery already have the story written about the "Generals march across the state."

CLASS 5A - Citronelle pounded Opp 41-8 in round two but found Blount a little more challenging as Blount whipped the previously unbeaten Wildcats 40-14. This class is just waiting for a story and it has a couple of good plots, such as "Former TSU coach leads Valley to crown," "Blount repeats as 5A champs" or "Gadsden runs the board."

CLASS 4A - Pike County handed T.R. Miller playoff losses in the years the Bulldogs were claiming state titles, but for the second straight year the Tigers turned the tables as they outscored Pike County 36-22. The dream matchup here would have a headline "Miller and Desher prepare for rematch," as both are one win away from another title clash.

CLASS 3A - The biggest news in this class has been the playoff power of the Luverne Tigers, which have outscored their last two opponents 69-0. The folks up in Crenshaw County would think Christmas came early if they read "Daniels finally gets state crown," while up north the Plainview followers are looking to read about "The second time the charm for Bears," after losing in the finals a year ago.

CLASS 2A - This will mark the eighth time Reeltown and Cottonwood have met in the state playoffs and for the eighth straight time Cottonwood will be at home for the battle. One thing's for sure, the folks in Reeltown know the way south. Possible news here would be headlined "Hazlewood does it again" or "Reeltown is the real champ."

CLASS 1A - McKenzie has come close to winning the state title a number of times and this is the year the Tigers believe they will finally get the ring. Maybe in two weeks we can read about "It was worth the wait for McKenzie" or perhaps "Courtland needs a new trophy case."

TIDE-TIGER CLASH WAS EXCITING FOR STATE FANS

If people across the nation tuned in the Alabama-Auburn game Saturday, most of them probably turned channels way before halftime even arrived. The Tide won the game and the bragging rights for another year, while Auburn simply put the finishing touches on a disappointing season. I'm a Tide fan and was happy to see Bama win; however, I'm afraid it's time to admit that neither the Tide or the Tigers are anywhere near being national powers like the past.

PROGNOSTICATOR LOOKING FOR END OF SEASON

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator was fussing about the high school football season lasting too long when he came in the office this weekend. He could be right, or it could have had something to do with his 14-10 record of a week ago (looks like he was the turkey last week). Oh well, with a seasonal record of 333-83, he can still brag about having another good year. With a little coaxing, he did leave this week's picks, and here they are....

Dec 27 Shaw 0
Central 17 Butler 10
Valley 15 Blount 14
Gadsden 21 Fayette County 7
T.R. Miller 21 Handley 20
Deshler 34 Litchfield 19

Luverne 12 Lafayette 0
Lauderdale County 14 Plainview 12
Reeltown 21 Cottonwood 8
Hazlewood 22 Cordova 12
McKenzie 20 Autaugaville 14
Courtland 15 Parrish 14

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SPORTS

Elba Tigers ambush Zion Chapel Rebels 69-50



The Elba Tigers jumped out to a quick 10-1 lead and were never challenged last Tuesday night as they blasted the Zion Chapel Rebels 69-50, at the ESIC gym.

The win upped the Tigers record to 2-0, while the Rebels fell to 0-1 with the loss.

Elba jumped ahead 2-0 only seconds into the game on a two-hand slam-dunk by David Yelverton, and used a sticky full-court press to cause numerous Zion Chapel turnovers as the Tigers raced out to a 10-1 lead with 6:13 left in the stanza.

The Tigers took their biggest lead of the quarter at 16-4 with 2:58 left on the clock on a driving layup by Yelverton, only to see the Rebels rally behind the play of Chris Hodge to cut the lead to 16-10 by the end of the opening stanza.

Elba's pressing defense again caused the Rebels problems early in the second quarter and the Tigers converted on easy baskets to go on a 10-2 run that stretched the lead to 26-12 with 5:21 left in the half.

The Elba lead ballooned to 31-15 with 3:31 left in the stanza on a basket by Dee Miller and the Tigers went in at the half with a comfortable 31-15 lead.

E 16 23 14 12 14 - 69
ZC 10 14 12 14 - 50

Elba (69): Yelverton 6, Miller 10, Magwood 15, Goosby 12, Whitfield 6, McMillan 6, Thigpen 6, Donaldson 2, Tyson 2, Jones 4.

ZC (50): Herbert 2, Hodge 13, Woods 7, D. Smith 18, T. Smith 8, Cole 2.

Early wins not impressive to Elba's Coach Foster

The Elba Tigers improved their record to 2-0 last week with a big 69-50 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels, and while Coach Danny Foster is happy to see the win, he is also going to get overconfident because of the Tigers' early season success.

"We may be 2-0," stated Coach Foster, "but after two games we have done almost nothing right and unless we improve in a hurry it may be a while before we win two more!"

"The opening win over Rehoboth was the first game and some of the many mistakes we made could at least be blamed on it being the first game," said Foster, "but the game against Zion Chapel was even worse than the opening game and about the only thing we did right was to get the right end of the court."

"We are not getting the play from our guards we must have to be successful getting the ball inside," said Foster, and the guards know they have to penetrate, they just get in the game and get completely lost. The inside people do what we ask at times, however, they too are making way too many mental mistakes. Over on defense we aren't playing as aggressive as we need to, and some of our folks don't seem concerned when their men whip them and score easy buckets."

"We're not going to abandon ship and we'll never quit working hard to improve," added Coach Foster. "We just have to get to work hard every single day and carry over to the games the things we work on. This bunch has some potential, but after two games it is still completely untapped."

Junior Tigers roll along with easy 58-32 win

The Elba Junior High Tigers improved their record to 3-1 last Monday night by easily disposing of Geneva Junior 58-32, in Geneva.

The Tigers jumped out to an early 12-9 lead behind the play of Che Vaughan and Dennis Barnes, only to see Geneva rally and chop the lead to 23-21 by the end of the half.

Elba caught fire in the third quarter, however, and behind the shoot-

ing of Che Vaughan and Detrick Kyles poured in 21 points to stretch its lead to 44-30. The Tigers slowed down the pace offensively in the final stanza, but never slowed down on defense and held Geneva to only two points as they rolled to the 58-32 win.

Che Vaughan and Roscoe Coleman both scored 18 points to lead Elba, while Detrick Kyles added 11.

Taylor scored 9 for Geneva.

E 13 10 21 14 - 58
G 9 12 9 2 - 32

Elba (58): Tyson 1, Barnes 4, Coleman 18, Vaughan 18, Kyles 11, Coleman 18, Bozeman 1, Williams 4.

Geneva (32): Wallace 4, Lamb 4, Taylor 9, Lett 8, Lee 5.

ROUNDBALL ROUNDUP

Kinston clobbers G.W. Long 95-68

The Kinston Bulldogs gave the home fans plenty to cheer about last Monday night as they pounded the G.W. Long Rebels 95-68.

The Bulldogs jumped on top early against the Rebels and never looked back in posting the high scoring season-opening win.

Roger Smith scored 21 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Danny Dorrill added 15, Tracy Hall 13 and Jerry Carney 12. Pat Calloway scored 23 for Long.

Brantley busts the clock with 102-68 win

The Brantley Bulldogs opened their basketball season with a bang last Tuesday night when they clobbered the Kinston Bulldogs 102-68, in Brantley.

The Bulldogs started their season late due to the football playoffs, but made up for lost time with the lopsided win over the rival Bulldogs from Coffee County.

Ronald Rogers scored 20 points to lead the high-scoring Brantley attack.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, DEC. 6
Elba at Louisville (B & Varsity)
Straughn at New Brockton (7th & 8th)

SATURDAY, DEC. 7
New Brockton at Samson (7th, 8th, B & Varsity)

MONDAY, DEC. 9
Dauphin at Elba Jr. (8th & 9th)
New Brockton at Straughn (7th & 8th)

TUESDAY, DEC. 10
Kinston at New Brockton (7th, 8th, 9th, B & Varsity)

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New Brockton facing rebuilding task in '91-92 season

The New Brockton Gamecocks have been like gym rats for the past three weeks as they have worked long and hard in preparation for the 1991-92 basketball season.

While the expectations are always high at New Brockton, Coach Bobby Kinsaul reported that the Gamecocks fans may have to suffer a little while this year's team gains the experience it will need to win consistently against a very competitive schedule.

New Brockton Junior High opens basketball with 3 wins

The New Brockton Junior Gamecocks are off to another fast start as they have posted 3 wins in their opening four games.

The Gamecocks have defeated Banks 72-21, Dauphin 57-52 and Banks, again, 60-19, while failing to Carroll High freshmen 57-49.

Following are highlights of the opening games:

NEW BROCKTON 72

BANKS 21

New Brockton jumped ahead early and never looked back as it pounded Banks 72-21, in New Brockton.

The Gamecocks bolted out to a 19-2 first quarter lead and coasted to the season opening win.

Marcus Brown scored 21 points to lead New Brockton, while Chris Flowers and Mitchell Truitt both added 14. Terry Banks scored 12 for Banks.

NEW BROCKTON 60

BANKS 19

New Brockton made it 2-0 for the young season with another easy 60-19 romp past Banks, in Banks.

The Gamecocks grabbed a quick 26-3 lead against the outmanned Bandits and rolled to the lopsided win.

Jason Edwards scored 12 points to lead New Brockton, while Marcus Brown, Joe Thomas and Mitchell Truitt all added 10.

"We lost all five starters off last year's 15-10 squad," stated Coach Kinsaul, "and we'll just have to throw last year's B team out on the court and hope they learn in a hurry!"

"Eric Edwards saw action late in the year as a sophomore and started a few games," admitted Kinsaul, "but he is the only player that has ever even suited up for a varsity game and it will take a while for the

players to get used to varsity competition and the talent they will face every night out. Edwards (6-3) is a score and rebound inside. Adrian Flowers (5-10) will handle the point guard position and has good ball-handling skills and a good three-point shot, and he is going to have to carry the load for us from the outside. Brent Griffin (5-8) is the only senior among the starting five, and while he isn't tall, he is a solid athlete and will give it all he's got. Wes Monk (6-3) saw limited playing time last season on the B team, but he has worked hard to improve and is an excellent leaper. He should help us on the boards and has a good shot."

"Mark Edgar (5-8) and Chris Green (5-10) will see plenty of playing time at the guard spots and both should be steady players and give us a plus off the bench," said Kinsaul. "Our top seven players include only one senior, so, it isn't hard to tell that this bunch will be short on experience early in the year. The B team did get off to a 12-0 start last season and played well as a team, which I hope will carry over and help us carry the load for us from the outside. With absolutely no varsity experience it is impossible to predict just what this bunch can do," stated Coach Kinsaul. "I think this team has the potential to be a good team, but they'll have to simply learn as they go and believe that better days will come if they work hard and play hard. We're just taking it one day at a time and maybe before too long we'll have a competitive team."

AHSAA grid playoffs now in semifinal round

The Alabama High School Athletic Association's "1991 High School Football Playoffs" will enter the semifinal round Friday night with four defending state champions still in the hunt for state titles.

Blount (5A), Desher (4A), Hazlewood (2A) and Courtland (1A) have all survived the opening three rounds and will carry hopes of defending their titles into this week's semifinal round.

Following are semifinal matchups and results of the third round games:

SEMIFINAL PAIRINGS

(All games will be played Friday at 7:30, unless otherwise noted)

CLASS 6A
Montgomery Lee (11-1) at Mobile Shale (12-1)
Huntsville Butler (9-3) at Tuscaloosa Central (10-3)

CLASS 5A
Prichard Blount (12-1) at Valley (12-1)
Gadsden (12-0) at Fayette County (10-3), Fayette

CLASS 4A
T.R. Miller (12-0) at Handley (11-2), Roanoke

CLASS 3A
Blount (12-0) at Courtland (8-2)

CLASS 2A
Reeltown (13-0) at Cottonwood (9-4)
Cordova (12-0) at Hazlewood (11-1), Town Creek

CLASS 1A
McKenzie (12-0) at Autaugaville (9-4)
Parrish (12-1) at Courtland (8-2)

NEW BROCKTON GAMECOCKS

DEC. 6	STRAUGHN	HOME
DEC. 7	SAMSON	AWAY
DEC. 10	KINSTON	HOME
DEC. 13	ELBA	ESIC
DEC. 20-21	DALEVILLE TOURNEY	
DEC. 31-JAN. 4	SEAC TOURNEY	K'TON
JAN. 7	FLORALA	HOME
JAN. 10	ZION CHAPEL	HOME
JAN. 14	SAMSON	HOME
JAN. 17	FLORALA	AWAY
JAN. 21	KINSTON	AWAY
JAN. 24	RED LEVEL	AWAY
JAN. 28	STRAUGHN	AWAY
JAN. 31	ENTERPRISE	HOME
FEB. 4	ELBA	HOME
FEB. 7	LUVERNE	AWAY
FEB. 11	GOSHEN	AWAY
FEB. 14	HARTFORD	HOME

CLASS 4A	Handley 24 Tallapoosa 21
CLASS 3A	Doehler 26 N. Jackson 14
CLASS 2A	T.R. Miller 36 Pike Co. 22
CLASS 1A	Litchfield 24 Excel 15
CLASS 6A	Prattville 17 Susan Moore 0
CLASS 5A	Lauderdale Co. 34 Lexington 3
CLASS 4A	Lawrence 34 Slomcomb 0
CLASS 3A	LaFayette 6 Lineville 0

KINSTON BULLDOGS

DEC. 6	SAMSON	HOME
DEC. 10	NEW BROCKTON	AWAY
DEC. 13	COFFEE SPRINGS	AWAY
DEC. 16	FLORALA	HOME
DEC. 19-21	DALEVILLE TOURNEY	
DEC. 31-JAN. 4	SEAC TOURNEY	K'TON
JAN. 7	PLEASANT HOME	AWAY
JAN. 10	RED LEVEL	HOME
JAN. 14	FLORALA	AWAY
JAN. 17	STRAUGHN	HOME
JAN. 21	NEW BROCKTON	HOME
JAN. 24	SAMSON	AWAY
JAN. 28	OPP	AWAY
JAN. 31	BAYSIDE ACAD.	HOME
FEB. 4	COFFEE SPRINGS	HOME
FEB. 7	G.W. LONG	AWAY
FEB. 8	PLEASANT HOME	HOME
FEB. 11	ZION CHAPEL	AWAY
FEB. 18-21	AREA TOURNEY	TBA
FEB. 25-28	SUB-STATE	TBA
MARCH 5-7	STATE TOURNEY	U OF A

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Left to Right: Martin Moates, chairman, Enterprise; Fred Clark, Elba; Robert English, secretary-treasurer, Damascus; Marion Sanders, Roanoke; Charles Mallory, vice chairman, Kinston.

The Coffee County Soil & Water Conservation District was organized in 1959 and has just completed its 32nd year of operation. The board shown above has the responsibility for developing the conservation program to fit the needs of Coffee County. These conservation programs are aimed at protecting soil, water and related resources. The board, working closely with the USDA-Soil Conservation Service, assists landowners to plan and apply conservation practices that protect and improve their land.

Our primary goal this year has been the implementation of the 1985 Farm Bill. We have assisted 1,100 farms in developing and updating conservation plans that were needed to comply.

In recognition of the conservation need in the county, we have supported the following conservation programs: Alabama Resources Conservation Program, and the Wilkerson Creek, Whitewater Creek, and Northeast Yellow River watersheds.

Through the years our conservation program has continued to prosper and grow. The reason for this growth is that the local support in the county is second to none. We appreciate this support and want each person who provided it to look upon this request as a summary of their own accomplishments.

1991 Accomplishments	
Landowners assisted	800 No.
Units of government assisted	7 No.
Conservation plans developed	2504
Conservation practice applied:	
Terraces	36 miles
Underground outlet	10,000 feet
Waterways	40 ac.
Gully control structures	50 no.
Critical area planting	70 ac.

Soil Conservation Service

& District Staff

Stephen H. Musser, district conservationist; Janice A. Moates, district secretary; James E. Clark, soil conservation technician; Buck Walters, district technician, and part time clerk Judy Harby.

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he looked back at the footprints in the sand.
He noticed that many times along the path of his life
there was only one set of footprints.
He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest
and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it.
"LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you,
you'd walk with me all the way.
But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times
in my life, there is only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why when I needed you most
you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child,
I love you and I would never leave you.
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when you see only one set of footprints,
it was then that I carried you."

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Coffee County Commission to negotiate with WasteAway

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

Once again, landfill was the main topic of discussion at the Coffee County Commission's meeting Monday morning.

The commissioners signed a resolution in Monday's meeting allowing them to enter into negotiations with WasteAway in the disposing of county garbage.

WasteAway is a private solid waste disposal company which plans to construct and operate a landfill facility in Pike County near Brundage. It will be known as the Brundage Waste Disposal Center, Inc.

It was emphasized this was just another step in the commission's attempt to obtain all the options possible before making a decision on the disposal of the county's solid waste and the construction of a landfill.

Prior to the signing of the resolution, County Engineer Mark Pool gave the commissioners a brief synopsis of the landfill situation.

He stated that when work first began on the landfill, there were no Sub Title "D" regulations, but it was

understood that it took 2 to 3 years to get a landfill permitted.

It was noted that it has been a long drawn out process from when the county first advertised for land on which to construct a landfill.

He gave the commissioners a brief summary on the garbage disposal status of several of Coffee County's neighboring counties. They too are faced with a critical situation.

In speaking about Coffee County's proposed landfill site, Pool stated that he would like to make it clear that an archaeological study had been made on the proposed land site. It was made a year ago by Pan American Consultants of Tuscaloosa, AL. There was no evidence of Indian burial grounds in the area.

He also explained that any site chosen in the county would have been in some watershed, either the Pea River, Yellow River or the Choctawhatchee River.

Pool stated that no decision has been made concerning the construction of a landfill or the disposition of the county's solid waste, but one will have to be made in the near future.

He said that on October 9, 1993, no more garbage will be accepted at

the present landfill site located on Co. Rd. 40. It will be closed.

There is no one to be confused as to exactly what type landfill permit had been applied for and when by the commission.

Commission Chairman Billy Eageron stated that the county had hired an engineering firm to perform the work necessary in obtaining a one county landfill permit.

It was later recommended the county amend their application to seek a permit for a regional landfill.

The purpose of the public hearing held on November 13 in Enterprise was to hear public opinion on the amending of the application.

As a result of that hearing, no action has been taken by the commission on amending the permit application.

Reverend Danny Maddox who was present at Monday's meeting was asked what he thought of the resolution to negotiate with WasteAway. Rev. Maddox was present representing the Concerned Citizens of Coffee County group.

He agreed that the action being taken by the commission, signing the resolution, was a positive step.

Rev. Maddox stated that it was the group's desire, Concerned Citizens of Coffee County, to work with the commission on solving the solid waste disposal problem now before them. They just want the commissioners to be "up front" in all their actions and make all the facts known.

Commissioner Robert Stephens stated he has always been for a one-county (Coffee County) landfill.

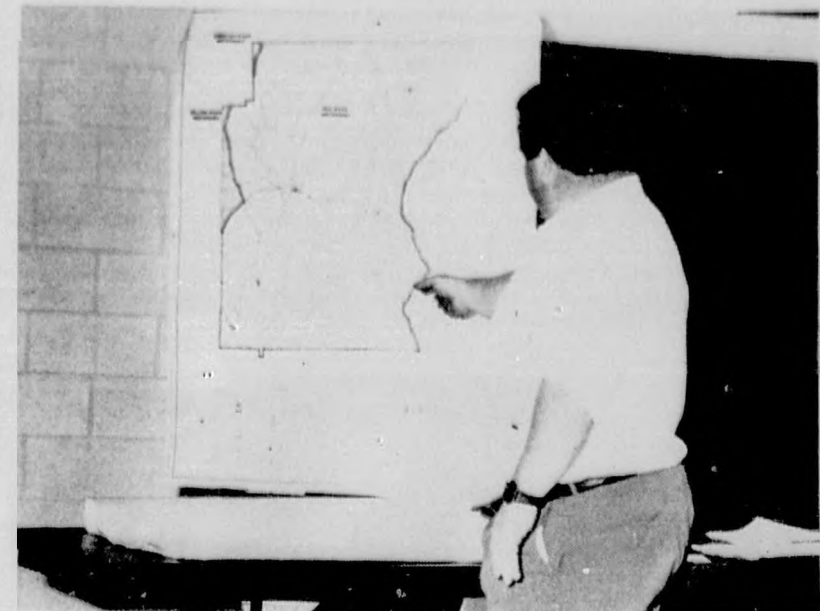
A short discussion ensued between Rev. Maddox and commissioners pertaining to many of the pros and cons of a regional landfill; however, most of these have already been discussed at great length between both parties.

All the commissioners were in agreement that they needed to get as many options as they could and gather all the facts before making a final decision concerning the disposal of the county's solid waste.

Pool informed the commission the Industrial Access Bond Authority has approved industrial access funding in the amount of \$128,541.00. The fund will be used for the resurfacing and widening of County Road 79 to benefit Southland Broilers, Inc.

Commissioner Jim Dubose added this work was in addition to the work already being done on Co. Rd. 79.

This work will be done on the road beginning at Alabama Highway 167 and extending to the intersection of Co. Rd. 60.



DIFFERENT TYPE WATERSHEDS...discussed by Coffee County's Engineer Mark Pool. He points out a map of a soil conservation watershed and an engineering watershed.

Pool was informed of the grant in a letter from Governor Guy Hunt's office.

According to Pool, Coffee County has, in the past eight months, received "extra" funds totaling \$1,547,567.00 through industrial access funds and excess highway funds. It was noted these funds were in excess of any "flood work" funds.

Commissioners commended Pool and his staff for the work they have done in obtaining these funds.

Prior to adjourning, Commissioner Robert Stephens, who operates a county store, informed County Administrator Wilson Mobley that he wanted the 1/2c sales tax collected at his store to go toward paying for the new jail.

He said that he conducted a survey of the patrons of his business on

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FUNDS COLLECTED TOTAL \$324,277.00

Illegal tax funds returned to merchants

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

In a hearing held in Enterprise on Tuesday, December 3, 1991, 12th Judicial Circuit Judge Gary McAulley ruled that merchants who collected the "illegal" 1/2c county sales tax can get it back.

Merchants have until January 17, 1992 to file their claim with the Coffee County Circuit Clerk's office in Enterprise to get their money back.

The court was presented with the question as to which class of persons, vendors or purchasers, is entitled to a refund.

Judge McAulley ruled that the local act by the Coffee County Commission levied a "privilege" tax against persons, firms or corporations engaged in retail business in Coffee County.

According to Mary E. Pilcher, an attorney with the Montgomery law firm of Webb, Crumpton, McGee, Davis and Alley which represented the county, the commission actually passed a privilege tax rather than a sales tax.

"They thought they were passing a sales tax, but they didn't," Pilcher said. As a privilege tax it comes under the privilege tax laws. Under those laws there apparently is no provision for returning collected tax money to consumers.

According to the judge's order, "Purchasers were not entitled to recover a refund of said tax unless they paid the license tax to the city in accordance with the provisions of such ordinance."

The money collected during the months of October, November, and December in 1989 amounted to \$301,498.00. The amount has grown to \$324,277 since it has been collected in an escrow account. The interest will be prorated to the merchants requesting a refund.

On January 4, 1993, Covington County Circuit Judge William Baldwin ruled the tax invalid and collection of the 1/2c sales tax ceased.

Judge Baldwin's decision was upheld by the Alabama Supreme Court after being appealed by the Coffee County Commission.

Paul Young, the attorney who represented the Taxpayers Defense League, said, "We've fought this illegal tax all the way to the Alabama Supreme Court. Thank goodness there were people who were willing to take a stand in this matter."

It is still unclear as to what will be done with any "illegal tax money" left unclaimed by merchants. Some

say the county commission will determine its fate and some say the state will be the beneficiary.

Legal sources say the court, in all probability, once again will step in and decide the disposition of the unclaimed funds.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Application forms for the tax refund may be picked up by COUNTY MERCHANTS at the Circuit Clerk's office located in the Enterprise Courthouse.

ECSB discussed finances, discipline & academics

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba City School Board was told Thursday evening of the financial condition of the local school system.

Superintendent Charles Pearce reported that in spite of proration, the system is still operating within money available. He explained that as long as the schools are under the 6% proration, the fund balances will continue to go down from month to month. Pearce voiced the opinion that the Elba system is in better financial condition than 75% of Alabama schools.

Board members were informed that all bus drivers and substitutes have qualified for the state required commercial drivers licenses.

Pearce presented board members with a proposed change in the school discipline procedure. No action was taken, but Pearce requested the board members study the matter and

be prepared to make a decision at the next meeting.

He explained the proposal was open for modification and he himself might make some changes after planned discussion with juvenile court authorities.

The proposal as presented reads, "Students referred to the Juvenile Court by petition/legal warrant may be suspended from school indefinitely when it is in the best interest of that student and other students that

he/she not be allowed on campus until the revocation of the Juvenile Court is final."

Pearce told the board he felt there were three basic problems with the school systems of Elba, Alabama and the nation. They are: 1. funding problem (need more money) 2. disci-

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Scores frustrate Supt. Pearce

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for several weeks over the poor showing of the local students and the numbers show why.

Elba students scored only 77% passing on both the Reading and Language portions of the test and an even lower 73 on the Math portion.

The Language was one point above the state average of 76% but both the others were below average. The state average on Reading was 87% (10 points above the Elba average). State average on the Math portion was 77% (four points above the Elba average).

Pearce said, "We are disappointed not only with our low ranking in the Reading part of the test but also in AHSGE, but we are also concerned with our Math and Language scores. Our entire staff was concerned over a year ago when we reviewed SAT scores and BCT scores and saw that we had too many students showing deficiencies in Reading skills. We started immediately to seek out reasons for these deficiencies and try to isolate areas we felt could give the most positive results in helping remediate these skills. We have in place this year a new Chapter I program at the Jr. High School that should help our students at that level. We also placed into action a GAP (graduate assistance program) at the High School that should help improve performance at that level. A modifica-

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Elba W&E Board request fire rating inspection

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fire department before such an inspection would be practical.

The board asked Mayor Moore to inform the fire chief of their desire to request another inspection as soon as possible after the completion of the present water improvement project.

The report on accounts receivable show \$9,230.73 in uncollected utility bills. Included in this total is one large commercial account in the process of being collected. Also included is a number of disconnected meters where users moved, etc. and are awaiting final read-outs and applying of deposits.

Returned checks in the process of being collected total \$635.28.



CORPS OF ENGINEERS...were in Elba last week to inspect the levee. Alton Colvin was joined by Mayor Fred Moore and Elba's City Street Supt. James Simmons as he and his assistant inspected the status of the levee. The picture above was taken as the group checked the site of where one of the levee blowouts occurred just rear of Attorney Garth Lindsey's office.